

REMARKS

Claim 11-16 are pending in this application.

In the Restriction Requirement (Paper No. 05212004) dated on May 26, 2004, the Examiner has requested election of one of the following two groups:

- (1) Claims 1-10, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 253; and
- (2) Claims 11-13, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 296.

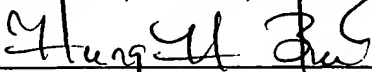
In response thereto, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 11-13, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 296. Method claims 1-10 have been withdrawn and canceled without prejudice or disclaimer in favor of claims 11-16, now pending in the application. Device claims 14-16 have been newly added in accordance with current office policy to alternatively define Applicants' disclosed invention over the prior art of record. Claims 11-16 are now in condition for continued examination.

Should any questions remain unresolved, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' attorney at the Washington DC area office at (703) 312-6600.

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